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TO HIS EXCELLENCY,
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FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.



To his Excellency, E. E. JACKSON,

Governor of the State of Maryland.

SIR—The Lunacy Commission herewith submit the Fifth Annual Report of their proceedings, as also the condition of all the different institutions, public, corporate or private, including almshouses where the insane are kept.

The Commission have endeavored in every way to see that the insane have proper care bestowed upon them, not only as to food, raiment and medical aid, but also that kindness and consideration be shown them. They likewise have been most careful to see that the insane were not unduly restrained, and also have taken every precaution to have restored to society those who have recovered from mental disease, and to liberate any that may have been improperly detained.

The Lunacy Commission, besides holding quarterly meetings, have held frequent special meetings,

at each of which the Secretary submitted written reports, which were carefully read and considered. Besides this, communications from inmates of the different insane institutions were read and acted upon, also resolutions were passed looking to the promotion of the objects and aims of the Lunacy Act. As an outcome of this vigilance much interest is now awakened in behalf of the insane throughout the State; in almost every almshouse and institution where the insane are kept a noted improvement in their condition can be seen.

Many structural improvements, too, have been made through the suggestions of the Lunacy Commission, a detailed account of which will be given under the head of the various institutions.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. H. BAYLY,
President.

REPORTS OF INSTITUTIONS.

MARYLAND HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

(Near Catonsville, Baltimore County.)

This institution has been visited several times during the year; when last, most of the patients were seen either recreating or doing light work. All were well clad and seemed to be comfortably cared for. The halls, bed-rooms, water-closets and bath-rooms were cleanly and properly ventilated. Various forms of amusements are afforded the insane at this institution, and every effort is made to comply with the Lunacy Act.

The attendance is good and their number sufficient.

The new addition, which was in course of completion at the time of the last report, is now occupied. It consists of dining-room, kitchen, assembly rooms and sleeping apartments. Notwithstanding these additions the institution is still so crowded as to necessitate colored and white insane occupying the same apartments. We would urge again, as before, that a separate institution for the colored race be considered, which would much relieve the various State asylums throughout

the State. For statistics of this institution see tables in body of this report.

Number of insane at the date of last visit: white males 245, white females 198—443; colored males 35, colored females 27—62. Total, 505. Three secluded, none under restraint.

BOARD OF MANAGERS—Hon. Barnes Compton, Andrew Tripp, Francis White, John Fowler, Wilmot Johnson, Gilmor Meredith, Chas. G. W. MacGill, Dr. G. H. Cairns.

Medical Superintendent—Dr. Richard Gundry.
Assistant Physician—Dr. B. D. Evans.

MOUNT HOPE RETREAT.

(Five miles from Baltimore, on the W. M. R. R.)

This Retreat, which is under the care of the Sisters of Charity, has been inspected a number of times during the year, and showed, on each occasion, in cleanliness, order and good management, thorough and personal vigilance.

The addition of large dining-rooms has added much to the personal comforts of the inmates of this institution, and the bath-rooms and water-closets, having been thoroughly reconstructed, have perfected the ventilation of the building. An

important feature in the treatment of patients here is diversion of the mind by various forms of occupations and amusements.

Number of insane at the last visit—white males 300; white females 260; colored males 2; colored females 3; total 565.

Number of males secluded, none; number of males restrained by wristlets, 2—to prevent them from destroying their clothing; number of females secluded, none; number of females restrained, none.

ASYLUM AND TRAINING SCHOOL FOR FEEBLE MINDED, OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

(Near Owings' Mills, W. M. R. R.)

At the time of the last visit paid to the asylum there were 21 patients—12 girls and 9 boys—all of whom were either recreating or being instructed in calisthenics or kindergarten work. Some of the children showed mental improvement, and the good work being done for these poor, little unfortunates cannot be spoken of too highly. Miss Gundry displays great judgment in the general management of this institution and is untiring in her efforts to make all comfortable. The school and play-room were orderly and clean, dormitories

and water-closets well ventilated and the whole interior of the building faultless as to comfort. Some structural improvements are contemplated, which are needed in order to meet the increasing demands for admission for feeble-minded children from various parts of the State.

Matron—Miss Mattie Gundry.

BOARD OF VISITORS—Dr. J. Pembroke Thom, *President*; Milton G. Urner, *Vice President*; Levin F. Morris, *Secretary*; Henry King, *Treasurer*.

FORT HILL SANITARIUM.

(Near Ellicott City.)

On inspecting this building, which was neat and orderly, I found 15 patients, all, excepting three, being children: 7 idiotic boys, 3 feeble-minded young men and 5 girls—3 imbeciles, 2 epileptics.

Most were being amused and instructed in the kindergarten, apparently happy in their occupation. Dr. and Mrs. Fort are very kind and attentive to those under their care, and have good nurses to assist them. They should be encouraged in this noble work, namely, training and instructing unfortunate little ones with clouded intellect, and it is most satisfactory to note in how many ways

they can be taught to occupy their time and thus make life less appalling.

MATLEY HILL SANITARIUM.

Located eight miles from Baltimore and a half mile from Relay Station, B. & O. R. R. This institution on the occasion of each visit was cleanly and well conducted. The attendance is excellent and the inmates receive every kindness and attention.

The Superintendent is J. S. Conrad, M. D.

Number of patients during the year, 71 ; number of patients admitted during the year, 34 ; discharged during the year: unimproved, 9 ; improved, 11 ; cured, 10 ; deaths, 7.

MARYLAND PENITENTIARY.

Six cases have been removed from the penitentiary to institutions for the insane during the year, and the Lunacy Commission state with much satisfaction that they will in the future be able, by means of the new law passed at the last Legislature, to remove promptly all the insane criminals who may be committed to this prison.

BAY VIEW ASYLUM.

(*City* Baltimore County Almshouse, Department for the Insane.)

Owing to the overcrowding and inferior attendance at this institution, its halls and bed-rooms were not found as cleanly and orderly as on former occasions, but we feel sure all this will be rectified through the increasing interest shown by the Board of Managers, and the additional room space which will be afforded by the new building soon to be completed.

Various kinds of entertainments, such as concerts, lectures, games, etc., are afforded the inmates. Periodicals and other reading matter are supplied by the Relief Association of Baltimore.

Admissions during the year, 105 patients

Average attendance—white males 118; white females 131—249; colored males 19; colored females 45—64; total 313.

Discharged during the year ending November 30, 1890: cured 20, improved 30, unimproved 36, deaths 15; total 101.

BOARD OF MANAGERS—Joseph Freidenwald, *President*; John Black, *Secretary*; Simon Kemp, John J. Hoffman, Jacob Pappler, Prof. Ira Remsen.

W. E. Wright, *Resident Physician*.

Superintendent—Adolph Martini.

Purveyor—Jno. M. McElroy.

Clerk—Capt. C. W. Lawson.

ALLEGHANY COUNTY SYLVAN RETREAT.

(One mile and a-half from Cumberland.)

On our last inspection of this institution we found the halls, bed-rooms, water-closets and baths in wing of building used for females cleanly, and the attendance good, with the exception of one bath and water-closet which, through neglect of the management, was in an unhealthy state. Two females were secluded, none restrained.

In the wing of the building occupied by males there was much confusion, poor attendants and neglect apparent.

This institution up to now has been well conducted and all the Commission could expect, and we think that the change for the worse is due largely to the frequent changes not only in the management of Sylvan Retreat, but in those who come immediately in contact with its inmates.

Two males were seen restrained on account of self-mutilation or injury to others.

Number of insane—white males 25 ; white females 31 ; colored females 2 ; total 58.

Superintendent—Zadok W. Kaulbaugh.

Physician—W. I. Craigen.

Commissioners—John Schiller, *President* ; Wm. Orr, John Bell, Henry Williams, J. B. Stotlemeyer.

Trustees—Geo. D. Landwehr, A. Thomas, E. Klenger.

Requirements—Fire escapes and a suitable dining-room and kitchen.

ALLEGHANY COUNTY JAIL.

No insane criminals were received here during the year.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY. ALMSHOUSE.

(Seven miles from Annapolis.)

On the last inspection of this almshouse it was found cleaner and the attendance better ; at the same time we regret to say the much-needed improvements, mentioned before, have not yet been made. These improvements are especially needed

in the old frame building occupied by the colored paupers.

Number of insane—7; all cases of chronic insanity, except one, a colored man who was suffering from acute mania. This case, through the valuable aid of the State's Attorney, has been removed to an institution for the treatment of the insane.

Superintendent—William D. Lee.

Physician—B. R. Davidson.

Trustees—William Behlis, *President*; Richard P. Sellman, — Lyles, William Dorsey, Benj. Care.

County Commissioners—Grafton Ridout, *President*; James Baldwin, Nathaniel Childs, Thomas Cole, H. M. Murray.

BALTIMORE COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(One mile from Texas, Md.)

On the date of my last visit to this institution there was marked improvement in the general management, both in the main building, which is used for the white inmates, and in the outer, occupied by the colored people; all was in good

repair and the rooms tidy and well furnished. The superintendent and his wife, who acts as matron, deserve favorable comment for the zealous manner in which they perform their duties.

Number of insane—white males 3 ; white females 2 ; colored males 1 ; colored females 2 ; total 8.

Superintendent—J. W. Smith.

Physician—B. F. Busey, M. D.

County Commissioners—Thomas Todd, Robert Magruder, John Smith.

BALTIMORE COUNTY JAIL.

No insane at this date seen in the jail, but during the year two cases have been removed to institution for the insane.

CALVERT COUNTY.

This county has no almshouse. Its poor are pensioned, and all cases of insanity sent to institutions where the insane are treated.

CAROLINE COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Four miles from Denton.)

The interior of the building, occupied by the white paupers, was cleanly, and although old and careworn, was in fair repair; but the one reserved for the colored race was dirty, dilapidated and unfit for occupancy.

Of the insane cases seen, 1 white male, melancholia; 2 white females, 1 chronic mania, 1 imbecility; 3 colored males, 1 idiotic, 1 imbecility, 1 epileptic; 3 colored females, 2 imbecility, 1 epileptic; total 9.

Superintendent—Nathan Roe.

Physician—Dr. Thomas Salisbury.

Trustees—Robert Jarrell, *President*: Henry C. Rawlings, T. F. Gary, James Parker, Nathan Cochran.

CARROLL COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(One mile from Westminster.)

When last inspected the interior of the main building was found in every way comfortable, and the superintendent had its inmates usefully employed. In the outer building, however, the rooms needed much repair and the furniture was very

careworn. We have suggested the advisability of constructing another house in connection with the latter, and have hopes of it being soon accomplished.

Number of insane: white males, 4—chronic mania; white females, 5—4 imbecility, 1 melancholia; total, 9. Two deaths reported during the year.

Superintendent—Emanuel Shaeffer.

Physician—Leonard Sapp, M. D.

Commissioners—David Stoner, Wm. P. Polk and Hezekiah Hahn.

CARROLL COUNTY JAIL.

No insane cases were found at this jail.

CECIL COUNTY.

(Two miles from Elkton.)

This institution is used exclusively for the insane, and on both visits of inspection everything was exceptionally clean, and the inmates were comfortable and cheerful; but the attendance was insufficient, as we heretofore reported. There has been a change in the administration since the last visit, a list of which we subjoin.

Superintendent—W. T. Chidestee.

Physician—Robert Brattan.

Trustees—George S. Woolby, *President*; Samuel J. Keys and George W. Maloney.

Number of insane—white males 11; white females 5; colored males 2; colored females 1; total 19.

Needed improvements.—Properly arranged fire escapes and heating apparatuses.

CECIL COUNTY JAIL.

This jail was also inspected during the year, and at the last visit two of the inmates came within the jurisdiction of the Lunacy Commission.

There were two white males (erotomaniacs), and as they were comfortable and doing well, it was deemed inadvisable to have them removed. There has been, however, three insane cases removed from this jail since our last report.

CHARLES COUNTY ALMSHOUSE,

(Near Port Tobacco.)

When last visited this almshouse was found cleanly and well kept. No case of insanity, however, was found among its inmates.

DORCHESTER COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Fourteen miles from Cambridge.)

No improvements have been made at this old, dilapidated building since our last report.

Its inmates are, however, well fed and clothed, and the superintendent is kind and attentive to them.

Number of insane—three white males; chronic mania; five females, three imbeciles, two dementia. Colored males, three, one melancholia, two mania; one colored female, mania.

Attending Physician—Robert J. Price, M. D.

Superintendent—Thomas Lard, Esq.

MONTEVUE HOSPITAL, FREDERICK COUNTY.

(Two miles from Frederick City.)

At Montevue Hospital many structural improvements have been made, such room accommodations have been built as was necessary to separate the colored sane from the insane, besides constructing rooms in various parts of the building for violent cases, where they can be secluded without bodily restraint. More attention, too, is directed to the employment and amusement of the insane, as well as to their general comforts. There has been an entirely new system of drainage made, both inside and outside of the building, by which all water, etc.,

is carried about 500 feet from the building. New floors have been laid, old furniture soon to be replaced by new, and throughout the building the latest improved fire extinguishers are to be found.

The attendants consist of 4 females and 6 males ; besides a most intelligent superintendent and a clerk, who is a physician. The visiting physician lives in Frederick City, and visits the institution daily or oftener if required when he can be summoned by telephone. The number of insane at the Hospital on the date of last visit, October 13—white males 26, white females 30 ; colored males 5, colored females 9 ; total 70.

Superintendent—L. C. Derr.

Clerk—R. Bradley Tylor, M. D.

Physician—Franklin B. Smith.

Commissioners of Charities and Corrections—David W. Summers, *President* ; Dr. E. C. McSherry, *Treasurer* ; Dr. I. W. Downey, *Clerk* ; Merle Hiteshew and Joshua I. Dill.

FREDERICK COUNTY JAIL.

. Cases of insanity are not received at this institution.

GARRETT COUNTY.

There is no almshouse in this county.

HARFORD COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(One mile from Bel-Air.)

The usual number of visits were paid to this institution during 1890. Both the main and outer buildings were in good repair and properly supplied with furniture, etc. Its inmates seemed well provided for, and were seen either recreating or occupied in some light work.

Number of insane—white males 8, white females 8; colored males 6, colored females 6; total 28.

Superintendent—William Chenowith.

Physician—J. C. Butler, M. D.

Trustees—W. T. Hope, Dr. Dalas Scarborough, Joseph E. Bateman, Geo. B. Silver.

HARFORD COUNTY JAIL.

No insane cases were found at this jail.

HOWARD COUNTY.

No almshouse has yet been erected in this county, but the ladies and gentlemen give much attention to relieving the wants of the sane poor, and the insane are provided for at the different institutions for the insane throughout the State.

KENT COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Four miles from Chestertown.)

The main building of this almshouse, occupied by the white poor, is well arranged and its inmates comfortable. The outbuilding used for the colored paupers was in bad repair, and in some parts unfit for occupancy. When last inspected the inmates were mostly out, engaged in some manual labor. Of those seen indoors, two white women, suffering from chronic mania, were in seclusion.

Number of insane, 8: white male, 1—melancholia; white females, 4—2 chronic mania, 1 imbecility, 1 idiocy; colored males, 3—all melancholia; colored female, 1—idiocy.

Superintendent—W. C. Knight.

Physician—J. A. Perkins.

County Commissioners—Thomas J. Shallcross, Robert C. Morgan, Geo. W. Rodenhiser, John A. Groves, John Dickinson.

Trustees—Wm. Ford, Thos. H. Horsey, Walter I. Skinner.

KENT COUNTY JAIL.

No insane had been committed to this jail.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Located three miles from Rockville.)

On the occasion of our last visit to this institution, most of its inmates were seen out recreating and appeared well fed and comfortably clad.

In the main part of the building we noticed some improvements had been made according to our suggestions on a former inspection. The rooms were well ventilated, halls and bed rooms reconstructed so as to separate the sexes, windows enlarged and new floor laid. Further, old furniture had been replaced by new and everything was cleanly and orderly; but in the basement there is much room for improvement. Furniture is needed and more attention should be paid to cleanliness and order.

Number of insane—8, seven of whom were imbeciles and one idiotic.

Superintendent—John T. Best.

Physician—Edward Anderson.

Trustees—Dr. Chas. Maddox, *President*; August Jones, George Chesel; John Brunnett, *Clerk*.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY JAIL.

The Lunacy Commission had two cases of insanity removed during the year, both of whom were white men and tramps.

PRINCE GEORGE'S ALMSHOUSE.

(Eight miles from Upper Marlboro.)

When last inspected the interior of the buildings, which compose this almshouse, was provided with the necessary furniture, bedding, etc., and the inmates, most of whom were out either working or recreating, were comfortably clad. The Superintendent of this Almshouse is especially kind and thoughtful of the wants of those under his supervision.

Physician—Chas. O. Lewis, M D.

Superintendent—Thomas Bird.

Trustees—E. E. Berry, *Clerk*; George T. Duvall, George Beall, Walter P. Griffin, Alonzo Darcy.

Number of insane, 6—3 imbecility, 2 mania, 1 melancholia, all colored—4 females and 2 males.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY JAIL.

Three cases of insanity have been reported here and were transferred by the order of the Commission to the Maryland Hospital for the Insane.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Sixteen miles from Centreville.).

No improvements have yet been made at this institution in the colored department, although promises have been made to that effect.

With few exceptions the bedsteads were old and broken down. In the main building, however, occupied by the white poor, everything was tidy and the inmates were well clad and uncomplaining.

Number of insane—white males 2; white females 3; colored males 1; colored females 2; total 8.

All these were cases of dementia, excepting a white boy, who is idiotic. Two deaths occurred during the past year.

Superintendent, Joshua Goodwin.

Physician, Dr. Holden.

Trustees—Richard T. Earle, *President*; W. Y. Gibson, *Secretary*; J. T. McKenney, Joel Thomas, James Brown, William Carmichael, Edward Emory, Thomas Carroll.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY JAIL.

No insane found at this institution.

SOMERSET COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Two and a-half miles from Princess Anne.)

No improvements have been made to this old and dilapidated building, and but two cases of insanity were found amongst its inmates, both of whom were colored men suffering with chronic mania. The county commissioners pension out their poor, and seem to give little attention to the almshouse. During the year two cases of insanity were removed to Maryland Hospital for the Insane.

Superintendent—M. F. Bounds.

Physician—R. W. Dashiell.

Trustees—C. J. Johnson, *President*; F. A. Hayman, Michael Welsh.

County Commissioners—George R. Reville, Jr., Joseph R. Reading, John Sterling.

ST. MARY'S COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Three miles from Leonardtown.)

I visited this institution accompanied by the physician in charge, Dr. John Spaulding. No repairs had been made since my last visit; the basement is in need of a floor, as it is now without one. The interior of the building was clean, the paupers well clad and comfortable.

Number of insane—5; white males 2—melancholia; white females none; colored males 1—idiot; colored females 2—imbecile and mania.

Superintendent—

Physician—John Spaulding.

Trustees—James Tennison, J. T. Ballenger, Oscar S. Jones, William Watts, J. T. Yates, Enoch B. Abell.

TALBOT COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Situated near Trappe, between Oxford and Easton.)

This almshouse, which consists of two buildings, was inspected twice during the year. The one used for the white poor was clean and comfortably arranged, but the other for colored poor was dilapidated and unfit for occupancy; besides this the furniture was out of repair and there did not seem to be the necessary comforts for its inmates. We are, however, assured that in a short time structural improvements will be made here, and our instructions carried out in regard to bettering the condition of the chronic insane of this almshouse.

Number of insane—white males 2, imbeciles; white females 5—2 melancholia, 3 imbeciles; colored

males 4, chronic mania ; colored females 3—1 idiotic, 2 imbeciles ; total 14.

Superintendent—Nathaniel Leonard.

Physician—Edw. M. Harcastle, M. D.

Trustees of the Poor—Michael B. Nichols, Thos. A. Leonard, Richard A. Frampton, E. W. West and Jos Horney.

Commissioners—W. H. Haddaway, W. B. Dulin, James Cox ; B. P. Cox, *Clerk*.

WASHINGTON COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(One mile from Hagerstown.)

(Bellevue Asylum.)

On the second official visit the interior of the building was found with few exceptions cleanly and in fair repair. The bed rooms had been supplied with new furniture and better bed clothing. The attendance was much improved, those in charge seeming quite faithful in the discharge of their duties.

Number of insane—white males 18; white females 17; colored males 1; colored females 1; total 37. Of this number three females and one male were secluded; none, however, being under restraint. In one of the rooms of this institution was a mother and daughter, aged respectively 80 and 50.

Remarks—The water-closets and bath-rooms both require more ventilation; besides which there should be better constructed recreating grounds.

Superintendent—A. C. Doyle.

Physician—C. R. Scheller.

County Commissioners—John W. Cable, *President*; Charles Edward Wise, Caleb Wyand, A. B. Betts, M. Foltz

Trustees—Henry O. Eavey, *President*; Benjamin Fiery.

Treasurer—B. A. Garlinger.

WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL.

No cases of insanity to report.

WICOMICO COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Eleven miles from Salisbury.)

When last visited, this almshouse was found to be, as heretofore reported, out of repair and unfit for use. There were but few inmates, as most of the county paupers are pensioned out. There were, however, three cases of insanity to inspect, two colored women, imbeciles, and a white man suffering from melancholia.

Superintendent—A. F. Owens.

Physician—W. H. H. Dashiell.

County Commissioners—Wilmer Johnson, Oscar Freeney, Albert Robertson, I. H. Bennett, Lemuel Brittingham.

WICOMICO COUNTY JAIL.

No insane cases to report from this jail.

WORCESTER COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

(Three miles from Snow Hill.)

At the time of our visit the main building of this almshouse was in fair repair and its inmates comfortably lodged and well clad.

The old quarters used exclusively for the colored people, although so dilapidated as to be unfit for occupancy, was much cleaner and better furnished than on former inspection. In consequence of much needed improvements and additions the sexes still live in the same apartments.

Number of insane—8; 1 case removed during the year. White males 4—imbeciles; white females 2—melancholia; colored males, 1—epileptic; colored females 1—idiotic.

Superintendent—Charles P. Jones.

Physician—Paul Jones.

Trustees—Stephen Wilson, *President*; Stephen Quillen, James Smack.

County Commissioners—Sanders Paine, Charles Bishop, Daniel Massay.

WORCESTER COUNTY JAIL.

One case of insanity was admitted during the year at this jail, but has since been removed to Montevue Hospital.

The following resolution was passed and a copy sent to each Institution where the insane are kept:

Resolved, That the Superintendents or Keepers of Institutions for Insane *must have* posted in the various halls and private rooms of their institutions a plainly printed notice that paper, envelopes, stamps, pen and ink or pencil, will be furnished the insane for the purpose of allowing them to correspond every month, under seal, with the Lunacy Commission and one other person whom they may designate.

TABLE

SHOWING NUMBER OF INSANE IN THE STATE.

White Males	-	-	-	664	
White Females	-	-		742	
					Total - - - 1406
Colored Males	-	-		200	
Colored Females	-	-		175	
					Total - - - 375
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Grand Total	-	-	-	-	- - - 1781

APPENDIX A.

TABLE No. 1.

Showing the general operations of the Maryland Hospital for the Insane for the year ending October 31, 1890.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Number in Hospital November 1st, 1889	233	191	424
“ admitted during the year.....	46	48	94
Total number under treatment.....	279	239	518
	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Discharged as recovered....	12	17	29
“ “ improved....	4	8	12
“ “ unimproved..	3	3	6
Died.....	18	12	30
	37	40	77
Remaining in Hospital October 31, 1890.....	242	199	441
Daily average under treatment—males.....			237.75
“ “ “ “ females.....			197.83
“ “ “ “ both.....			435.58
Highest number under treatment September 24, 1890.....			444
Lowest number under treatment November 2, 1889.....			422

TABLE No. 2.

Showing the number at each age admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Under 15 years of age.....	1	..	1
From 15 to 20 years of age.....	6	3	9
“ 20 to 30 “	9	14	23
“ 30 to 40 “	12	13	25
“ 40 to 50 “	9	7	16
“ 50 to 60 “	3	5	8
“ 60 to 70 “	3	3	6
“ 70 to 80 “	3	3	6
	46	48	94

TABLE No. 3.

Showing the civil condition of those admitted.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Single.....	30	22	52
Married.....	15	18	33
Widowed.....	1	8	9
	—	—	—
	46	48	94

TABLE No. 4.

Showing the nativity of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Maryland.....	37	38	75
Virginia	2	3	5
Pennsylvania	1	..	1
New York.....	1	..	1
New Jersey.....	1	..	1
Indiana.....	1	..	1
Delaware.....	..	1	1
Kentucky.....	..	1	1
Germany.....	2	5	7
Scotland.....	1	..	1
	—	—	—
	46	48	94
Born in the United States.....	43	43	86
Born in Foreign Countries.....	3	5	8

TABLE No. 5.

Showing the occupations of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Farmers and wives, widows and daughters of.....	6	10	16
Laborers and wives, widows and daughters of.....	22	4	26
Merchants and wives, widows and daughters of....	3	5	8
Machinists, and wives of.....	1	2	3
Shoemakers, and wives of.....	2	1	3
Oysterman, and daughter of.....	1	1	2
Clerks.....	2	2	4
Millers.....	2	..	2
Schoolboys.....	2	..	2
Lawyer.....	1	..	1
Carpenter.....	1	..	1
Potter.....	1	..	1
Tailor.....	1	..	1
Plumber, wife of.....	..	1	1
Stonemason, wife of.....	..	1	1
Baker, wife of.....	..	1	1
Glass packer, wife of.....	..	1	1
Hucksters, wives of.....	..	2	2
Painter, wife of.....	..	1	1
Plasterer, wife of.....	..	1	1
Seamstresses.....	..	5	5
Servants.....	..	3	3
Teacher.....	..	1	1
Of no occupation	1	..	1
Unknown.....	..	6	6
	46	48	94

TABLE No. 6.

Showing the source of support of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Supported by friends... ..	6	10	16
“ “ Counties.....	34	21	55
“ “ City of Baltimore.....	6	17	23
	—	—	—
	46	48	94

TABLE No. 7.

Showing form of mental disorder of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Melancholia.....	8	7	15
Mania.....	20	26	46
Mania, puerperal.....	..	4	4
Mania, with epilepsy.....	1	..	1
Dementia.....	6	5	11
Dementia, acute.....	1	1	2
Dementia, senile.....	..	2	2
Dementia, with epilepsy... ..	3	1	4
Monomania.....	..	1	1
General Paresis.....	3	..	3
Imbecility.....	4	1	5
	—	—	—
	46	48	94

TABLE No. 8

Showing number of attacks and duration of last attack before admission of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
First Attack—			
Less than 3 months	8	10	18
“ 6 “	5	3	8
“ 12 “	4	4	8
“ 2 years.....	2	8	10
“ 3 “	4	5	9
“ 5 “	3	3	6
“ 10 “	3	5	8
“ 20 “	3	..	3
More than 20 “	4	1	5
Second Attack—			
Less than 1 year.....	3	6	9
Third Attack—			
Less than 1 year.....	..	1	1
Fourth Attack—			
Less than 1 year	1	..	1
Several previous Attacks—			
Less than 1 year.....	..	1	1
Unknown as to attack and duration.....	6	1	7
	—	—	—
	46	48	94

TABLE No. 9.

Showing the alleged causes of Insanity of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Business perplexities.....	7	2	9
Domestic troubles.....	3	5	8
Grief at loss of friends.....	..	4	4
Disappointed affection.....	2	..	2
Intemperance.....	2	2	4
Epilepsy.....	4	1	5
Congenital	4	1	5
Ill health.....	1	5	6
Influenza.....	1	1	2
Masturbation.....	6	..	6
Dissipation	2	..	2
Sunstroke.....	1	..	1
Exposure.....	1	..	1
Puerperal condition.....	..	8	8
Old age.....	..	1	1
Slander.....	..	1	1
Change of life.....	..	1	1
Phthisis.....	..	1	1
Solitary life... ..	..	1	1
Unknown.....	12	14	26
	<hr/> 46	<hr/> 48	<hr/> 94

TABLE No. 10.

Showing hereditary influence in causing insanity of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Hereditary taint denied.....	8	16	24
Hereditary but relationship not stated.....	1	3	4
Father insane.....	2	4	6
Paternal relatives insane.....	2	1	3
Mother insane.....	..	5	5
Maternal relatives insane... ..	2	1	3
Brothers and Sisters insane.....	2	5	7
	—	—	—
Total ascertained.....	17	35	52
Unknown.....	29	13	42
	—	—	—
	46	48	94

TABLE No. 11.

Showing number of Private Patients and those from Baltimore City and the Counties admitted during the year and those remaining in Hospital at the close of the year.

	Quota under Census of 1880.	ADMITTED DURING THE YEAR.			REMAINING AT THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Private Patients.....	..	6	10	16	22	13	35
Allegany County.....	10	..	..	..	..	1	1
Anne Arundel County.....	8	6	1	7	11	9	20
Baltimore County.....	22	7	4	11	20	11	31
Calvert County.....	3	..	..	..	4	1	5
Caroline County.....	4	..	..	..	2	1	3
Carroll County.....	8	1	1	2	10	10	20
Cecil County.....	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Charles County.....	5	..	..	..	3	4	7
Dorchester County.....	6	2	2	4	7	9	16
Frederick County.....	13	2	1	3	5	2	7
Garrett County.....	3	..	..	..	2	4	6
Harford County.....	8	2	1	3	13	7	20
Howard County.....	4	4	3	7	10	8	18
Kent County.....	5	..	..	..	3	3	6
Montgomery County.....	7	3	1	4	8	7	15
Prince George's County.....	7	3	..	3	6	2	8
Queen Anne's County.....	5	..	3	3	5	5	10
St. Mary's County.....	5	1	..	1	2	3	5
Somerset County.....	6	..	2	2	10	6	16
Talbot County.....	5	1	1	2	7	8	15
Washington County.....	10	..	..	..	4	5	9
Wicomico County.....	5	..	..	..	7	4	11
Worcester County.....	5	2	1	3	1	5	6
City of Baltimore.....	89	6	17	23	80	64	144
	250	46	48	94	242	192	434

TABLE No. 12.

Showing the ages of those discharged as recovered.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Between 20 and 30 years of age.....	4	4	8
“ 30 and 40 “ “	5	8	13
“ 40 and 50 “ “	2	2	4
“ 50 and 60 “ “ .....	..	2	2
“ 60 and 70 “ “ .....	..	1	1
“ 70 and 80 “ “	1	..	1
	—	—	—
	12	17	29

TABLE No. 13.

Showing the form of mental disorder of those discharged as recovered.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Melancholia.....	6	4	10
Mania.....	5	12	17
Dementia, acute.....	1	1	2
	—	—	—
	12	17	29

TABLE No. 14.

Showing the number of attacks of those discharged as recovered.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
First attack in.....	9	12	21
Second attack in.....	3	2	5
Third attack in.....	..	1	1
Several previous attacks in.....	..	2	2
	—	—	—
	12	17	29

TABLE No. 15.

Showing the duration of attack before admission of those discharged as recovered.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Not exceeding 1 month.....	4	6	10
“ “ 3 months.....	2	6	8
“ “ 6 months.....	3	1	4
“ “ 12 months.....	2	2	4
“ “ 2 years.....	..	2	2
Exceeding 2 years.....	1	..	1
	—	—	—
	12	17	29

TABLE No. 16.

Showing the ages of those who died during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Between 20 and 30 years of age.....	1	2	3
“ 30 and 40 years of age.....	5	2	7
“ 40 and 50 years of age.....	5	3	8
“ 50 and 60 years of age.....	3	1	4
“ 60 and 70 years of age.....	1	2	3
“ 70 and 80 years of age.....	2	2	4
“ 80 and 90 years of age.....	1	..	1
	—	—	—
	18	12	30

TABLE No. 17.

Showing the causes of death.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Exhaustion of Melancholia.	1	..	1
“ Mania. . . . .	..	4	4
Epilepsy.	2	..	2
Phthisis.	2	2	4
Apoplexy.	1	1	2
Paralysis.	1	1	2
Pneumonia.	2	..	2
Diarrhœa.	2	1	3
Dysentery.	1	..	1
Cardiac disease.	1	1	2
Old Age.	2	2	4
General Paresis.	2	..	2
Cellutitis.	1	..	1
	<hr/> 18	<hr/> 12	<hr/> 30

TABLE No. 18.

Showing form of Mental Disorder of those who died.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Melancholia.	1	..	1
Mania.	7	7	14
Mania, with Epilepsy.	1	..	1
Dementia.	5	4	9
Dementia, Senile.	1	..	1
Dementia, with Epilepsy.	1	..	1
Imbecility. . . . .	..	1	1
General Paresis.	2	..	2
	<hr/> 18	<hr/> 12	<hr/> 30

TABLE No. 19.

Showing period of residence in Hospital of those who died during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Less than 1 month.....	..	3	3
Between 1 and 3 months.....	2	2	4
“ 3 and 6 months.....	4	..	4
“ 6 and 12 months.....	4	1	5
“ 1 year and 2 years.....	3	..	3
“ 2 years and 4 years.....	1	3	4
“ 4 years and 6 years.....	1	..	1
“ 6 years and 8 years.....	1	2	3
“ 8 years and 10 years.....	1	..	1
Of 27 years.....	1	..	1
Of 42 years.....	..	1	1
	<hr/> 18	<hr/> 12	<hr/> 30

APPENDIX B.

TABLE No. 1.

Giving the general statistics of the population of MOUNT HOPE RETREAT for the year ending November 30, 1890.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Number of Patients in Hospital on Nov. 30, 1889.....	236	296	532
“ “ “ admitted during the year.....	184	108	292
Whole number under treatment during the year....	420	404	824
Number discharged during the year as cured... ..	98	46	144
“ “ “ “ improved....	40	30	70
“ “ “ “ unimproved..	4	1	5
“ of deaths during the year.....	30	26	56
“ remaining on November 30, 1890.....	248	301	549

TABLE No. 2.

Showing the monthly admission for year ending November 30, 1890.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Number admitted during December.....	7	10	17
“ “ “ January.....	11	10	21
“ “ “ February.....	12	8	20
“ “ “ March.....	10	8	18
“ “ “ April.....	8	9	17
“ “ “ May.....	16	7	23
“ “ “ June.....	17	12	29
“ “ “ July.....	20	7	27
“ “ “ August.....	18	9	27
“ “ “ September.....	23	16	39
“ “ “ October.....	21	8	29
“ “ “ November.....	21	4	25
Total.....	184	108	292

TABLE No. 3.

Showing the form of Insanity of those admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Mania acute.....	22	26	48
“ chronic.....	11	12	23
“ Puerperal.....	4	2	6
“ Alcoholic.....	33	2	35
“ Senile.....	9	6	15
Melancholia acute.....	35	39	74
“ chronic.....	2	4	6
Dementia Primary.....	1	..	1
Paresis.....	3	..	3
Depsomania.....	33	7	40
Epileptic Insanity.....	3	3	6
Idiocy.....	10	..	10
Inebriety.....	16	5	21
Pleurisy.....	2	1	3
Debility.....	..	1	1
Total.....	184	108	292

TABLE No. 4

Showing the cause of Insanity in all cases admitted during year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Hereditary predisposition.....	5	2	7
Alcoholic abuse	90	8	98
Ill health.....	11	5	16
Domestic troubles.....	4	4	8
Pecuniary losses.....	3	..	3
Overwork.....	5	4	9
Religious excitement.....	1	1	2
Epilepsy.....	1	..	1
Overstudy.....	1	1	2
Business Cares.....	5	..	5
Puerperal state.....	..	3	3
Senile degeneration.....	3	2	5
Poverty and exposure.....	1	1	2
Injury to head.....	6	1	7
Abuse of Opiates	3	5	8
Brain lesions.....	1	..	1
Smoking.....	1	..	1
Change of life.....	..	7	7
Worry.....	..	2	2
Grief.....	..	7	7
Mental strain.....	..	1	1
Nervous shock.....	..	2	2
High temperature .....	..	1	1
Unknown.....	43	51	94
	<hr/> 184	<hr/> 108	<hr/> 292

TABLE No. 5.

Showing ages of all Patients admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Under 10 years of age.....	..	..	..
Between 10 and 20 years of age.....	10	4	14
“ 20 and 30 “ “	35	27	62
“ 30 and 40 “ “	59	25	84
“ 40 and 50 “ “	40	27	67
“ 50 and 60 “ “	26	14	40
“ 60 and 70 “ “	8	8	16
“ 70 and 80 “ “	5	2	7
Over 80 years.....	1	1	2
Total.....	184	108	292

TABLE No. 6.

Showing the nativity of all patients admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals</i>
Maryland	92	33	125
South Carolina.....	2	2	4
Ireland.....	19	22	41
Norway.....	2	..	2
Pennsylvania.....	9	12	21
District of Columbia.....	11	5	16
West Virginia.....	2	3	5
Germany.....	5	3	8
Ohio.....	2	2	4
Nebraska.....	..	1	1
Kentucky.....	1	1	2
Russia.....	1	..	1
Florida.....	1	..	1
New Jersey.....	2	1	3
Georgia.....	2	1	3
Virginia.....	7	6	13
England.....	7	2	9
North Carolina.....	3	3	6
New York.....	7	4	11
Maine.....	1	..	1
Rhode Island.....	1	..	1
Wisconsin.....	..	1	1
France.....	1	..	1
New Foundland.....	..	1	1
Delaware.....	3	1	4
Massachusetts.....	1	2	3
Texas.....	1	1	2
Sweden.....	2	..	2
Total	184	108	292

TABLE No. 7.

Showing the last residence of all cases admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Maryland.....	130	53	183
South Carolina.....	2	2	4
District Columbia.....	21	20	41
Pennsylvania.....	13	14	27
West Virginia	1	3	4
Nebraska.....	..	1	1
New York.....	6	5	11
Georgia.....	2	..	2
Virginia.....	4	3	7
North Carolina.....	1	3	4
New Jersey.....	..	1	1
England.....	1	..	1
Rhode Island.....	1	..	1
Wisconsin.....	..	1	1
Massachusetts.....	1	1	2
Kentucky.....	1	..	1
Delaware.....	..	1	1
Total	184	108	292

TABLE No. 8.

Showing the occupation of all Patients admitted during the year.

<i>Males.</i>		<i>Females.</i>	
Baker.....	1	No occupation.....	41
Tailor.....	1	Nurse.....	1
Civil Engineer.....	1	Housekeepers.....	19
Tinner.....	1	Seamstresses.....	4
Hostler.....	1	Clerks.....	2
Architectural Draughtsman.....	1	Daughters of Manufacturers.....	2
Waiter.....	1	“ Real Estate Agents.....	2
Piano maker.....	1	Daughter of Farmer.....	1
Merchants.....	32	“ Editor.....	1
Farmers.....	7	“ Merchant.....	1
Gauger.....	1	Wife of watch Repairer.....	1
Clerk.....	23	“ Reporter.....	1
No occupation.....	21	“ Physician.....	1
Bricklayer.....	1	“ Moulder.....	1
Plumber.....	1	“ Manufacturer.....	2
Physicians.....	5	“ Liveryman.....	2
Real Estate Agents.....	10	“ Salesman.....	1
Blacksmiths.....	6	“ Clerk.....	4
Contractor.....	1	“ Laborer.....	4
Carpenters.....	5	“ Merchant.....	2
Book Keepers.....	4	“ Teacher.....	1
Gold Beater.....	2	“ Farmer.....	2
Lawyer.....	10	“ Baker.....	2
Druggists.....	2	Teachers.....	7
Hotel Keepers.....	2	Servants.....	3
Capitalist.....	1	Dress Makers.....	2
Salesmen.....	2		
Cigar makers.....	2		
Boat-builder.....	1		
Shoemakers.....	4		
Carriage maker.....	1		
Laborers.....	6		
Iron moulders.....	2		
Telegraph operator.....	1		
Cooper.....	1		
Editor.....	1		
Clergymen.....	5		
Actors.....	2		
Students.....	2		
Butcher.....	1		
Saloon Keepers.....	2		
Patent attorneys.....	2		
Professors of music.....	3		
Huckster.....	1		
Painter.....	1		
Total.....	184	Total.....	108

TABLE No. 9.

Showing the duration of Insanity in all cases admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Less than 1 month.....	27	19	46
From 1 to 2 months.....	71	36	107
“ 2 to 6 “	30	20	50
“ 6 to 12 “	9	5	14
“ 1 to 2 years	13	9	22
“ 2 to 5 “	16	13	29
“ 5 to 10 “	3	4	7
“ 10 to 20 “	13	2	15
“ 20 to 30 “	2	0	2
Total.....	184	108	292

TABLE No. 10.

Showing the result in all cases admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Cured.....	75	18	93
Improved.....	31	13	44
Unimproved.....	4	1	5
Died.....	14	8	22
Remaining	60	68	128
Total	184	108	292

TABLE No. 11.

Showing Cause of Death in all cases admitted during the year.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Pneumonia	2	2	4
Phthisis.....	1	..	1
Excitement and acute mania	3	2	5
Melancholia.....	2	..	2
Exhaustion	1	2	3
Uræmic apoplexy.....	2	..	2
Congestion of lungs	1	..	1
Senile decay.....	2	..	2
Cerebral tumor .....	..	1	1
Gastritis .....	..	1	1
Total	14	8	22

APPENDIX C.

The following sections of the "Lunacy Act" have been added to this report for the further instruction of all having charge of the insane.

SEC. 20. *And be it enacted*, That the Secretary, or at least one member of said Commission appointed for the purpose of the Board, shall visit all public, corporate or private institutions, including almshouses where the insane are kept, at least once in every six months and report the same to the Commission, with such comments as may be necessary, which shall be recorded. And the said Commission may order the Secretary to make visitations of inspection at any time to any one or all of said institutions, including almshouses where the insane are kept, and report in writing the condition, management and treatment of such insane and idiotic to said Commission.

SEC. 21. *And be it enacted*, That the Commission may, at any time if in its judgment any person confined in any institution in this State as insane be not insane, bring the matter to the attention of the State's Attorney of Baltimore City or the State's

Attorney of any of the respective Counties of the State, whose duty it shall be to apply to the proper tribunal for the Writ of Habeas Corpus, whereupon proper inquiry and investigation may be had as to the mental condition of such person, and if the Court shall be of the opinion that such person is not insane, then the Court shall discharge such person, but in the event that the Court shall determine such person is insane, then the Court shall order that such person be returned to the institution from which he has been taken under the Writ of Habeas Corpus.

SEC. 22. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be mandatory upon the officers in charge of such places, or others, to furnish all information that may be requested by said Commission or Secretary thereof and give free access to any member thereof, and to the Secretary of said Commission, to visit the insane or idiotic in their keeping; any refusal to do so upon the part of any one shall be a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court in which the case may be tried.

SEC. 23. *And be it enacted*, That the said Lunacy Commission is empowered by this Act to issue compulsory process for the attendance of witnesses and the production of papers, to administer oaths and examine persons under oath, and exercise the

same powers as belong to a Justice of the Peace in all cases when from evidence laid before them there is reason to believe that any person is wrongfully deprived of his or her liberty, or has been cruelly or negligently treated in any place or institution or almshouse ; but in all cases in which said Commission shall take action or determine any question affecting any insane person or persons supposed to be insane, or any institution in which such insane or supposed to be insane person is confined, the managers of such institution shall have the same right of appeal from said action or determination of said Commission, as is now allowed by law, in cases instituted before Justices of the Peace of the State. The Commissioners shall be empowered to present the offenders before the Grand Jury of the City or County in which such offense may have occurred.

SEC. 25. *And be it enacted*, That the Lunacy Commission shall be authorized to require a written report from all institutions, public, corporate or private, including almshouses in which the insane or idiotic may be kept ; said report to be in such form and at such time as they may adopt, with any other facts concerning the treatment of the insane which they may think proper.

SEC. 26. *And be it enacted*, That any officer or other person in charge of the insane who may

refuse to comply with this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction of same shall be fined or imprisoned, in the judgment of the Court before which the case may be tried.

SEC. 27. *And be it enacted*, That the Superintendent or other officer or keeper of any institution, public, corporate or private, or almshouses, where the insane may be kept, shall be required to keep a report of all patients, in such form as the Commissioners shall direct, also a record in which shall be entered the incidents and accidents that may occur, also the number and kind of restraint used, with details of same, to be reported to the Commission.

SEC. 32. *And be it enacted*, That no person shall be committed to or confined as a patient in any institution, public, corporate or private, or almshouse or other place for the care and custody of the insane or idiotic, except upon the written certificate of two qualified physicians, made within one week after examination of said alleged lunatic, and setting forth insanity or idiocy of such person and the reason for such opinion. Nothing in this section shall be construed as repealing such Acts as are now in force concerning the commitment of the pauper insane as provided for in Article fifty-eight, to which these sections are added. The provisions of this section shall not be held to apply to cases of

voluntary commitments as provided for in section thirty-nine of this Act. The Form of Physician's Certificate shall be substantially as follows :

STATE OF MARYLAND. COUNTY OR CITY OF——.

Dated———.

I, a resident of County or City of——, being a graduate of———Medical College, and having practiced as a Physician five years, do hereby certify, that on this——day of——, I have personally examined——, age——(sex)——(social state), and do verily believe that the said——— is insane, and that the disease is of a character which in my opinion requires that the person shall be placed in a hospital or other establishment, where the insane are detained for care and treatment. I further certify that I am not related by blood or marriage to the said———nor in any way connected as medical attendant or otherwise, with the hospital or other establishment in which it is proposed to place the aforesaid; and that this Certificate is signed and made within one week of the examination of the patient.

——— M. D.

Residence———.

SEC. 33. *And be it enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for any physician to certify to the insanity of any person for the purpose of committing such person to confinement in an asylum or other place where the insane are kept with which said physician may be in any manner connected or interested

SEC. 34. *And be it enacted*, That all Superintendents or other officers of an asylum or other institutions where the insane are kept in custody or received for treatment, whether public, corporate or private, or almshouse, shall within ten days after the reception of such patient or person make or cause to be made a description of such case in a book kept exclusively for the purpose. He shall also make entries from time to time of the mental condition of such patient or person so confined.

SEC. 36. *And be it enacted*, That any person confined in such places as hereinbefore defined shall be furnished at all times with paper, envelopes, stamps, pen and ink or pencil, shall at all times have access by correspondence with the Lunacy Commission and some one other person whom such lunatic may designate, every month under seal, which communication shall be forwarded by the office, superintendent or keeper who may be in charge of such person or place specified in this Act, and any failure on the part of those in charge of such person to forward such communication, shall

be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and if convicted shall be subject to a fine or imprisonment, in the judgment of the Court before which such case may be tried.

SEC. 37. *And be it enacted*, That the detention of any person in any one of the places or receptacles for the insane specified in this Act, without compliance with the regulations of this Act or the Acts already in force, shall be a misdemeanor on the part of such person so violating the provisions of this Act, or any one who has omitted the requirements of this Act shall be liable for damages.